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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH LANSING

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Dear MIHP Provider,

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2008, the Michigan Department of Community Health will increase the Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP) beneficiary mileage rate reimbursement to 50.5 cents per mile.

In collaboration with the Department of Human Services (DHS), Medicaid covers transportation services to assist beneficiaries in accessing medical care. MIHP providers should coordinate transportation services with their local DHS office when addressing the transportation needs of MIHP beneficiaries. In the event MIHP providers are unable to coordinate transportation services through their local DHS office, the MIHP providers can arrange and bill for transportation services. Refer to Section 2.12 of the Maternal Infant Health Program Chapter in the Medicaid Provider Manual for additional information.

Using the S0215 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code, providers may reimburse beneficiaries for transportation services provided by a volunteer, a relative, or the beneficiary. Transportation needs must be assessed and transportation provided only if no other means are available for the beneficiary to obtain health care services. In accordance with current policy, MIHP providers must document why transportation reimbursement is needed.

Should MIHP providers have any questions regarding this matter, they may contact Jackie Prokop at (517) 335-5184 or by e-mail at prokopj@michigan.gov.

Sincerely.

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